

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Gerhard Hoefle  
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Title of Invention : TUBULYSINS, PREPARATION PROCESSES AND  
TUBULYSIN PREPARATIONS  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION WITH REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF  
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2008, setting a one-month term for reply, *i.e.*, to September 20, 2008.

Applicants elect the claims of Group I, *i.e.*, claims 1, 2, and 68-72, and the species of tubulysin A methyl ester.